

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the remaining rejections of the application made in the Final Office Action of July 5, 2005 are respectfully requested in view of the amendments to the claims and remarks presented herewith, which are believed to place the application in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.173(b)(2) and which are further believed to place the application into condition for allowance.

Claims 1, 6, 22-24, 27, and 34 were pending in this application. By this paper, Claims 1, 6, 22-24, 27, and 34 are cancelled, and new claims 35-40 have been added, without prejudice. New claims 35-40 are believed to comply with the Examiner's objections as to the improper format of the previously-filed amendments and further, to clarify and round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled.

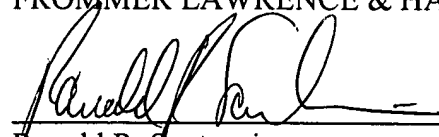
The Office Action of July 5, 2005 objected to the format of the previously filed claims. New claims 35-40 are believed to overcome the Examiner's objections as to claim format and are believed to be in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.173(b)(2). Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to the claims is respectfully requested.

The Office Action of July 5, 2005 objected to the Reissue Declaration, asserting that the Declaration was defective and failed to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.175 and MPEP §1414. Furthermore, claims 1, 6, 22-24, 27, and 34 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 251 as being based upon a defective Reissue Declaration. Submitted herewith is a revised Reissue Declaration which is believed to be in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.175 and MPEP §1414. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the Reissue Declaration, and the associated rejection of the claims, is respectfully requested.

It view of the above amendments and remarks, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the previous objections and rejections, and prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance, are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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